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MEMORANDUM FOR Mr. C. *W. Marron*

SUBJECT: Dieudonne Costes

The attached Memorandum written in French from the *DSM* contains information concerning the subject which would be of interest to the Bureau.

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FICHE DE RENSEIGNEMENTS sur DIEUDONNE COSTES

Ramise a L' O.S.S.

Nom.....: COSTES

Prenom : DIEUDONNE

Né le 4 Novembre 1892 e n FRANCE  
a SEPTFONDS ( TARN et GARONNE.)

Nationalité : FRANCAIS .

Professions : Ingenieur Aviateur .  
Ingenieur des Arts et Metiers ( Ecole AIX.)  
Administrateur de la Firme " HISPANO-SUIZA."

Situation militaire : Lieutenant Colonel de Reserve .

Adresses : De Juin a Octobre 1943 : Hotel PARK LANE - 299 Park  
Avenue - NEW YORK City.  
Depuis Decembre 1943 : 120 West 57eme.rue NEW YORK C.

RENSEIGNEMENTS DIVERS .

Fils de COSTES Urbain et de VAISSIE Noemie - Décédés .  
Appelé sous les Drapeaux en 1913 - Classe 1912 -Bureau de la SEINE.  
Affecté pendant le Guerre 1939/1940 a l'Ecole de l'Air de VERSAILLES  
Libéré en Juin 1940 .

Parle l'Anglais et l'Espagnol , mais fort incorrectement .

Marié en Aout 1929 , a GRENOBLE , avec VATCHNAZE MARY , de nationa-  
lité RUSSE , née a TIFLIS ( Russie.) le 19 Janvier 1901 - Devenue  
Francaise par mariage - Reside actuellement a NEW YORK avec son  
mari .

Technicien spécialisé de l'Aviation pour la mise au point des moteurs  
et des Avions .

A toujours travaillé dans l'Industrie aeronautique : Simultanément  
aux Usines BREGUET et HISPANO-SUIZA jusqu'en 1933 , et seulement  
a la Societe HISPANO-SUIZA de 1933 a 1939 .

Est entré sur le territoire des ETATS UNIS fin Juin 1943 .

A demandé , en Septembre 1943 , a servir dans les Forces Aeriennes  
Francaises en Afrique du Nord .

Mobilisé le 20 Novembre 1943 .

Demobilisé le 31 Decembre 1943 , sans avoir rejoint l' A.F.N.

Le 26 Juillet 1944 .

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TRANSLATION FROM THE FRENCH

Information Memo on Dieudonne Costes

Submitted to the O.S.S.

Name: COSTES  
First name: DIEUDONNE  
Born: November 4, 1892, in FRANCE at SEPTFONDS (TARN et GARONNE)  
Nationality: FRENCH  
Professions: Aviation Engineer  
Engineer of Arts and Crafts (AIX School)  
Administrative officer of the "HISPANO-SUIZA" Company.  
Military status: Lieutenant Colonel in the Reserves  
Addresses: June to October 1943: Hotel PARKLANE, 299 Park Avenue,  
NEW YORK CITY  
Since December 1943: 120 West 57th St., NEW YORK CITY.

Miscellaneous Information

Son of COSTES, Urbain, and of VAISSIE', Noemie--Both deceased  
Called to the colors in 1913 - Class of 1912 - Office of the Seine  
Attached during the war 1939/1940 to the Air School at VERSAILLES  
Freed in June 1940  
Speaks English and Spanish, but very incorrectly  
Married in August 1929, at GRENOBLE, to ~~MARY VATCHNAZE~~ *Costes* of RUSSIAN nationality,  
born at TIFLIS (Russia) on January 19, 1901. She became French by  
marriage. Is living at present in NEW YORK with her husband.  
Aviation technician specialist in tuning of engines and airplanes  
Has always worked in the aeronautical industry: Simultaneously in the  
BREGUET and HISPANO-SUIZA plants until 1933, and in the HISPANO-SUIZA  
COMPANY alone from 1933 to 1939.  
He entered the UNITED STATES end of June 1943  
He applied, in September 1943, for service in the French Air Forces in North  
Africa  
Called to service November 20, 1943  
Discharged from service December 31, 1943 without having joined the French  
Air Forces

July 26, 1944

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